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PASS TO H. EDGAR S. STOCK, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL
POSTAL AFFAIRS, U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

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SUBJECT : POSTAL MONEY ORDER SERVICE BETWEEN
BANGLADESH AND U.S.

REF : STATE 54810

1. A.M. AHSANULLAH, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY IN CHARGE,
POST, TELEGRAPH, AND TELEPHONE DIVISION (PTTD), MINISTRY
OF COMMUNICATIONS, BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT, IN A MEETING
WITH ECONOFF DISCUSSED FURTHER THE QUESTION OF A POSTAL
MONEY ORDER AGREEMENT BETWEEN HIS OFFICE AND THE US POSTAL
SERVICE (USPS). HE EXPRESSED AGREEMENT WITH MOST SECTIONS
OF THE DRAFT AGREEMENT SUBMITTED TO HIS OFFICE BY USPS.
HE HOWEVER FELT THAT ARTICLES 9.3 AND 13.4 WERE DIFFICULT
TO ACCEPT. ARTICLE 9.3 STATES QUOTE THE INTERNAL MONEY
ORDERS SHALL BE ISSUED AND DELIVERED TO THE PAYEE WITHOUT
CHARGE TO THE PAYEE UNQUOTE. ARTICLE 13.4 READS QUOTE THE
RECEIVING EXCHANGE OFFICE SHALL ASSESS NO COMMISSIONS OR
OTHER CHARGES UPON THE ISSUING EXCHANGE OFFICE FOR THE
RENDERING AND PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS, OR FOR ANY OTHER SER-
VICE IT PROVIDES IN CONNECTION WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS
UNDER THIS AGREEMENT UNQUOTE. THE PTTD INTERPRETS
THIS AS MEANING THAT THEY WILL PROVIDE THE SERVICE TO
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LOCAL RECIPIENTS WITHOUT COMPENSATION OF ANY KIND TO THE
PTTD. THE PTTD SUGGESTS THAT THIS IS CONTRARY TO INTER-
NATIONAL PRACTICE SUCH AS IN BANGLADESH'S AGREEMENTS WITH
THE U.K., HONG KONG, KUWAIT, AND WEST GERMANY. THE WEST
GERMAN AGREEMENT, FOR EXAMPLE, READS IN ITS ARTICLE 7(3)
QUOTE THE COMMISSION SO CHARGED SHALL BELONG TO THE POSTAL
ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE OF ISSUE. THAT ADMINISTRATION

SHALL, HOWEVER, CREDIT TO THE POSTAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE PAYING STATE ONE HALF OF ONE PERCENT ON THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE ORDERS ISSUED IN ITS SPHERE OF COMPETENCE AND ADVISED TO THE POSTAL ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATE OF PAYMENT UNQUOTE. SECRETARY AHSANULLAH EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE AGREEMENT WITH THE USPS MIGHT INCLUDE SIMILAR LANGUAGE.

2. AS A SECOND ISSUE OF INTEREST TO THE PTTD, THE PTTD HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM POSTAL SERVICE TO CONTINUE THE UK SERVICE'S CURRENT INTERMEDIARY ROLE IN THE DELIVERY OF POSTAL MONEY ORDERS TO NOT FORWARDING MONEY ORDERS TO THE UK DUE TO THE UK COMMISSIONS INVOLVED. SECRETARY AHSANULLAH EXPRESSED HOPES THAT THE USE OF UK FACILITIES MIGHT BE USED WHILE A USPS/PTTD AGREE-
MENT ON POSTAL MONEY ORDERS IS BEING WORKED OUT.
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